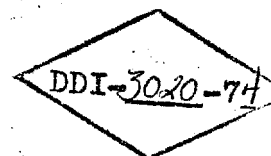


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Mr. Hugh W. Wolff
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Dear Mr. Wolff:

You recently requested the Legislative Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency to provide certain transcripts of broadcasts purported to have been made on Radio Hanoi by Ramsey Clark while on a visit to North Vietnam in 1972.

The Foreign Broadcast Information Service, as a part of its program of coverage of foreign radio broadcasts on a worldwide basis, regularly monitors the English language broadcasts of Radio Hanoi. These broadcasts take place over announced frequencies and scheduled times. We are not able to authenticate that a speaker who is introduced on the program in fact made that broadcast. Our purpose in listening to these broadcasts is to collect intelligence, including information about American prisoners of war, and these alleged statements by Ramsey Clark were heard incidentally to this activity.

The material which the Foreign Broadcast Information Service monitors on a worldwide basis is disseminated routinely to many libraries and research institutions. These transcripts were included in the FBIS "White Books" which were transmitted to the Library of Congress when they were published. Our retention of these transcripts is a normal aspect of our operations.

This material is not classified and this Agency is thus legally required to furnish it to any individual under the Freedom of Information Act and Executive Order 11652. However, in light of the fact that the material relates to a U. S. citizen, I would ask that you advise Mr. Ramsey Clark of your interest in this material.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. E. Colby
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Director

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